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SUBJ: SPACE COOPERATION: ROMANIAN PROPOSAL

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1. ON NOV. 7 EMBASSY FORMALLY CONVEYED CONTENTS OF REFTEL TO PROF. ALEXANDRU SPATARU, CHAIRMAN OF THE ROMANIAN COMMISSION FOR SPACE ACTIVITIES (RCSA). FORTHCOMING REPLY BY DEPARTMENT AND NASA HIGHLY APPRECIATED BY SPATARU AND THE COMMISSION'S SUPERVISORY ORGANIZATION, NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (NCST). THE COMMISSION IS A GOVERNMENTAL ADMINISTRATIVE BODY OF ABOUT 40 MEMBERS WHICH COORDINATES ALL AEROSPACE ACTIVITY AND REPORTS TO NCST PRESIDENT IOAN URSU. IT HAS NO SUBORDINATE INSTITUTES

BUT WORKS WITH OVER FIFTEEN RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS THROUGH ITS SUB-COMMISSIONS IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS; METEOROLOGY; ASTROPHYSICS; BIOLOGY AND MEDICINE; AND REMOTE SENSING. NASA SHOULD DIRECT ALL "ANNOUNCEMENTS OF OPPORTUNITIES" AND OTHER CORRESPONDENCE (REF PARA 3) TO PROF. SPATARU, RCSA NCST, STRADA ROMA 32, BUCHAREST. (EMBASSY SCIATT WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE SINGLE COPIES OF ALL SUCH ROUTINE MAILINGS.)

2. SCIATT MET NOV. 18 WITH RCSA GENERAL SECRETARY EUGEN MANDESCU WITH FOLLOWING SPECIFIC RESULTS: RCSA CONCURS IN DESIRABILITY OF EARLY MEETING WITH NASA AND IS PREPARED TO SEND APPROXIMATELY FIVE-CONFIDENTIAL

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MAN DELEGATION TO U.S. DURING FIRST QUARTER 1975, CONCEIVABLY BY

EARLY FEBRUARY. FOR PLANNING PURPOSES, COMMISSION TENTATIVELY WILL BUDGET FOR TRANSPORTATION AND EXPENSES INCLUDING VISITS IN WASHINGTON

FLORIDA, TEXAS AND CALIFORNIA, BUT REQUESTS THAT NASA DETERMINE DURATION OF VISIT AND EXACT PROGRAM. A PROCEDURAL MATTER OF URGENCY IS THAT NASA EXTEND DIRECT FORMAL INVITATION TO RCSA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE,

DESIRABLY BY END OF THIS WEEK. INVITATION MAY BE CABLED TO EMBASSY FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY WITH MORE DETAILED WRITTEN VERSION FOLLOWING BY POUCH BEFORE END OF DECEMBER.

3. THE DELEGATION'S PRIORITIES ARE EXPECTED TO INCLUDE REMOTE SENSING, SATELLITE INSTRUMENTATION, LUNAR SAMPLE ANALYSIS, AND "SATELLITE RESEARCH." RCSA WILL SUPPLY EMBASSY WITH MORE INFORMATION WITHIN ONE WEEK.

4. SPATARU AND MANDESCU NOTED THAT NASA MADE NO REFERENCE TO PROPOSED

MANNED-SPACE ACTIVITIES, BUT THAT GOR MAY WISH TO RAISE THE QUESTION AGAIN DURING DELEGATION VISIT. COMMENT: NCST SPECIAL ADVISOR MANZATU SAID IN SEPARATE CONVERSATION THAT GOR DELEGATION PROBABLY WOULD INCLUDE ONE MANNED-FLIGHT SPECIALIST FROM THE ROMANIAN ARMY, LIKELY OF GENERAL-OFFICER RANK. WE NOTE THAT GENERAL LAURENTIN CUPSA CHIEF, ANTIAIRCRAFT, ARTILLERY AND MISSILE BRANCH, AND GENERAL ION ANGHELOIU (NO BIO DATA AVAILABLE) PARTICIPATED

IN THE FORMAL MEETINGS HELD DURING CAPTAIN CERNAN'S VISIT IN BUCHAREST

END COMMENT.

5. RCSA WISHES TO FORWARD SPECIFIC PROPOSALS ON SATELLITE INSTRUMENTATION BY MID-DECEMBER (REF PARA 4). WILL ALSO PROVIDE EMBASSY THIS WEEK WITH 30 COPIES FOR NASA OF FINAL PROPOSAL FOR USE OF ERTS DATA AS DISCUSSED IN WASHINGTON BY PROF. OPRESCO (REF. PARA 5). EMBASSY URGENTLY REQUESTS NASA POUCH WRITTEN GUIDELINES OF PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS, FORMAT, ETC. IF NOT DONE SO ALREADY. RCSA EXPECTS TO CABLE PROPOSAL TITLES BY MID-DECEMBER AND MAIL DETAILED TEXTS ACCORDING TO NASA FORMAT IN TIME TO BE CONSIDERED BEFORE ARRIVAL OF DELEGATION.

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6. WE WISH TO EXPRESS EMBASSY'S GREAT SATISFACTION WITH ACTION BY DEPARTMENT AND NASA IN EXPEDITIOUS TREATMENT OF THESE DEVELOPMENTS RESULTING FROM CAPTAIN CERNAN'S VISIT LATE SEPTEMBER.  
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